Changes in Documentation for the Washington CRA

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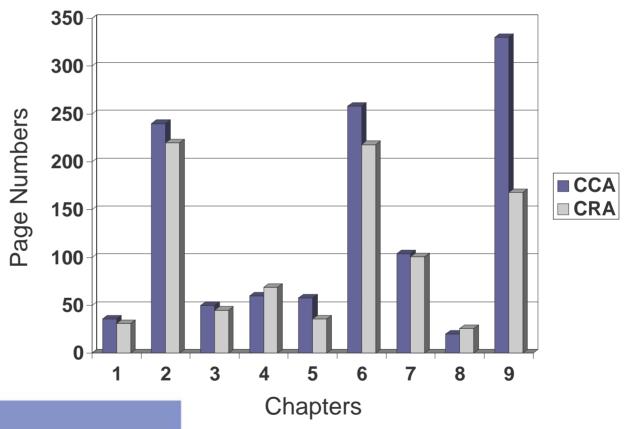
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Documentation Changes between the Documents:

- Both have nine chapters
- The CRA has added, combined, deleted, as appropriate, CCA appendices
- EPA concurrence
- The changes are not significant to longterm repository performance per 40 CFR 194.4(b)(3)

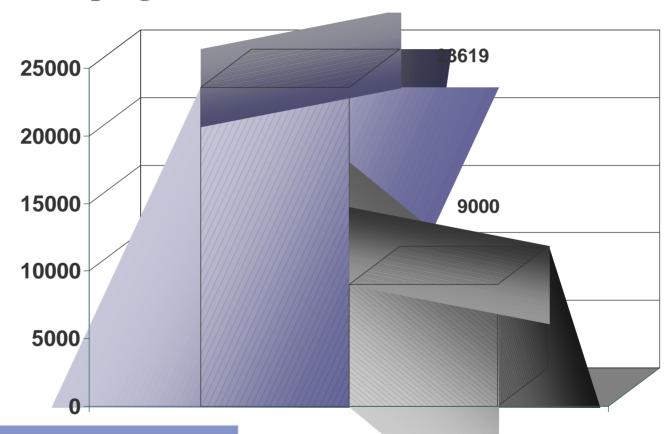
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Page count by chapter



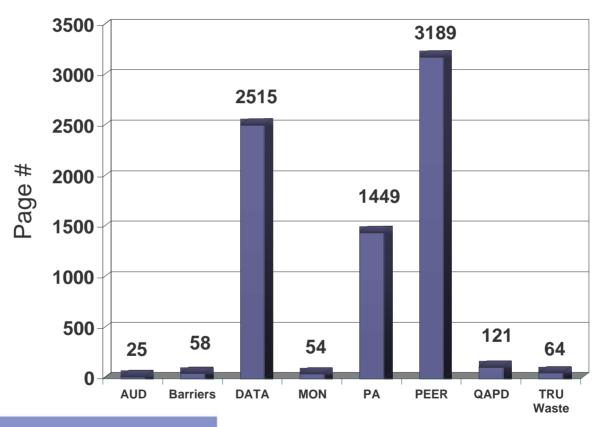
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CRA Appendices

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References

- CCA 716 total
- CRA 211 new references
- Of the 211 new references:
 - 138 were provided in hard copy
 - Remaining 73 not provided (in EPA Docket or referenced in the CCA)

Guidance & Correspondence

- EPA's Dec 2000 Recertification Guidance
 - "... Include any new information related to the disposal system that was obtained during the five-year period after emplacement of the waste began ..."
- CRA meets the "content" requirements of 40 CFR 194.15
- Meetings and numerous correspondence between EPA and DOE

Guidance & Correspondence

- April 22, 2003 Carlsbad meeting
 - Agreed to modified strikeout, bold blue italics format
- Chapters 1, 5, 6, and 9 are considered completely revised, thus all text is in **bold** blue italics
- A new baseline can be generated after EPA recertifies WIPP

Guidance & Correspondence

- July 24, 2003 Triay to Marcinowski letter – DOE proposes five categories of change
 - Major text revision
 - Minor text revision
 - CCA Appendix Incorporated by Reference
 - CCA Appendix Eliminated
 - New Additions

Seven page table details the specifics of the changes

Guidance & Correspondence

 September 17, 2003 Marcinowski to Triay letter – ". . . (DOE) proposal fulfills and even exceeds . . .
 Recertification Guidance . . . "

- Chapter 1, Overview
 - Complete rewrite, summary of changes and conclusions

- Chapter 2, Site Characterization
 - Updates to characterization from monitoring and modeling activities
- Associated Appendices
 - PA Attachments MASS, SCR, TFIELD
 - DATA



- Chapter 3, Facility Description
 - Change of the mining horizon to Clay Seam G
 - Panel 1 utilization
 - Eliminate use of MgO mini-sacks
- Associated Appendix
 - Barriers



- Chapter 4, Waste Description
 - Updates to stored, projected, scaled and emplaced inventories
 - Changes Related to Waste Characterization
- Associated Appendix
 - TRU Waste



- Chapter 5, Quality Assurance
 - Complete rewrite, incorporates program changes made since CCA
- Associated Appendices
 - AUD Summary of Assessments
 - QAPD

- Chapter 6, Containment Requirements
 - Identifies changes which may affect the PA system
 - Presents the results of the PA that appropriately address these changes
- Associated Appendix
 - Appendix PA and its attachments MASS, SCR, SOTERM, TFIELD, PORSURF and PAR

- Chapter 7, Assurance Requirements
 - Status of programmatic changes affecting assurance requirements
- Associated Appendices
 - MON
 - BARRIERS
 - DATA

- Chapter 8, Individual & Groundwater Protection Requirements
 - Updates to monitoring and modeling activities

- Chapter 9, Peer Review
 - Complete rewrite, new and revised peer reviews
- Associated Appendix
 - PEER

Notifications of Planned Changes

- Notification of Planned Changes have been made outside of the Annual Change Report (see following slides)
- No approved changes to date, have been deemed significant by EPA

History of Annual Report Submittals

Reporting Period	EPA Approval Date	Comments
9/16/97 9/15/98	6/3/99	A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 3
9/16/98 — 9/15/99	2/24/00	A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 11
9/16/99 — 9/15/00	7/2/01	A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 26
9/16/00 — 9/15/01	6/13/02	A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 32
9/16/01 — 9/15/02	8/8/03	
9/16/02 - 6/30/03	Pending	Revised reporting period
7/01/03 — 6/30/04	Not submitted	Future submittals follow this reporting period

- Change mining horizon to Clay Seam
 G for panels 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9.
 - 8/11/00 (A-98-49, II-A-3, Item 24)
- Eliminate MgO mini sacks
 - 1/11/01 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 15)

- Conduct Majorana Project U/G experiments
 - Approved 1/29/02 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 21)
 - Subsequent name change to Sega/Mega
 - Approved 6/11/03 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 55)
- Characterize "newly generated waste" using NDE
 - Approved 4/15/03 (A-98-48, II-B-3, Item 49)

- Use of single parameter set in future Performance Assessments
 - 6/17/02 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 30)
- Approval of the PICs schedule change
 - 11/7/02 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 41)
- Construction of 12 foot mortared concrete block wall and extension of closure schedule
 - 12/26/02 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 44)

- Disposal of classified TRU waste
 - 2/11/03 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 45)
 - 4/8/03 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 47)
- Approval to dispose AMWTF uncompacted (uncompressed) non-debris waste
 - 6/11/03 (A-98-49, II-B-3, Item 56)

- Approval of Phase 1 of the Enriched Xenon Observatory (EXO) Experiment in the WIPP underground
 - **2/4/04**
- Approval to dispose super-compacted waste from INEEL's AMWTF
 - **3/26/04**

- Approval of RH TRU Waste Characterization Program Implementation Plan
 - **3/26/04**
- Modify RTR and VE programs consistent with Section 311 of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2004
 - Pending



Summary of Changes

- Streamlined the application
- Facilitates the regulatory process
- Received EPA input and approval
- Summary of planned changes presented in six Annual Change Reports